

TO:	MAYOR A. NUTTALL AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL		
FROM:	D. BELL, DIRECTOR OF RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES, EXT. 4352		
NOTED:	D. MCALPINE, GENERAL MANAGER OF COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE SERVICES		
	M. PROWSE, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER		
RE:	DECEMBER EVENTS CALENDAR IN RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES		
DATE:	NOVEMBER 29, 2023		

The purpose of this Memorandum is to provide members of Council with an update concerning key programming, rentals, and special event activities taking place during the month of December. The calendar in Appendix 'A' represents a summary of larger planned events taking place throughout our many recreation and cultural venues next month.

December is a month filled with celebrations of family, friendship, and community. In Recreation & Culture Services, these celebrations take the form of holiday parties, sport tournaments, festive cultural events, and, of course, New Year's Eve.

Holiday music punctuates the performances at both the Five Points and Georgian Theatre locations beginning with the last two shows of "Jesus Christ Superstar" at Five Points Theatre presented by Pratt Homes & Pratt Development. On the 23<sup>rd</sup>, Five Points will also resonate with the music of Alan Menken who wrote the scores for such movies as Aladdin, Beauty & the Beast, and Little Mermaid. Georgian Theatre will host a "Motown Christmas Special" on the 15<sup>th</sup> along with three dance recitals. Tickets to these and other theatre performances can be purchased online at <u>Tickets</u>.

Sadlon Arena will once again host two popular high school hockey tournaments: the Monsignor Clair Cup on the 6<sup>th</sup> followed by the Kempenfelt Cup on the 21<sup>st</sup>. The Barrie Trojan Swim Meet will take to the pool at East Bayfield Community Centre the Dec 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> weekend.

Various centres will host cultural holiday celebrations encompassing the increasingly diverse population of Barrie including:

- December 8<sup>th</sup> @ Allandale Rec Centre: the Ukrainian Holiday celebration
- December 9<sup>th</sup> @ Allandale Rec Centre: the Bayanihan Club of Simcoe County holiday festivities
- December 23<sup>rd</sup> @ Parkview Community Centre: the Barrie Parisian Association holiday party
- December 23<sup>rd</sup> @ Southshore Centre: the Barrie Area Malayali Association holiday party

Indigenous Peoples' culture will also be honoured in December with Indigenous Story Telling at the Allandale Rec Centre on December 6<sup>th</sup> hosted by the Barrie Area Native Advisory Circle. The Southshore Centre will host a Community Round Dance sponsored by the Barrie Native Friendship Centre on December 21<sup>st</sup>.

December's month of celebrations would not be complete without a special mention of New Year's Eve celebrations on December 31<sup>st</sup> and that is an event that deserves its own memo...stay tuned!



## APPENDIX "A"

MONTH of DECEMBER				
DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY or EVENT		
		AT THE THEATRE		
Nov 23 - Dec 2	Five Points Theatre	"Jesus Christ Superstar" presented by Talk is Free Theatre		
Dec 2	Georgian Theatre	"You Better Work" presented by Studio House Dance		
Dec 7	Georgian Theatre	"Holiday Dance Recital" presented by My Pre Academy		
Dec 9	Georgian Theatre	"'The World's Greatest Tribute To The Traveling Wilburys' " presented by Legends Revisited		
Dec 15	Georgian Theatre	"Motown Christmas Special" presented by Beach Towel Productions		
Dec 16	Georgian Theatre	"Holiday Gala Dance Recital" presented by Elite Danceworks		
Dec 17	Five Points Theatre	"Holiday Recital" presented by Modern Music Studio		
Dec 23	Five Points Theatre	"A Whole New World: The Musical Magic of Alan Menken" presented by the City of Barrie		
ARENA EVENTS				
December	Sadlon Arena	Barrie Colts Home Games Dec. 9, 16, 28, 31		
Dec 6	Sadlon Arena	Monsignor Clair Cup - SMCDSB High School Event		
Dec 21	Sadlon Arena	Kempenfelt Cup - SCDSB High School Event		
55+ ACTIVITIES				
Dec 4	Parkview CC	Holiday Cheer Pop-Up Craft Sale and Carol Sing-along with Don McNair		
Dec 20	Allandale 55+ Centre	Christmas Party for Allandale 55+ Centre members		
IN THE POOL				
Dec 1-3	East Bayfield CC	Trojan Cup Swim Meet		



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DATE	LOCATION	MONTH of DECEMBER ACTIVITY or EVENT			
DATE		CIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS			
Dec 1-2	Southshore Centre	Spice Holiday Market hosted by Oh Beehive			
Dec 1-2 Dec 8-9	Meridian Place	Noella Tree and Wreath Market hosted by the Barrie BIA			
Dec 2	East Bayfield CC	Shopping with Santa Vendor Market			
Dec 3	East Bayfield CC	Holiday Holistic Healing Fair hosted by Awakening Energy Events			
Dec 6	Allandale Rec Centre	Indigenous Story Telling by Isaac Murdoch of the Serpent River First Nation and hosted by the Barrie Area Native Advisory Circle			
Dec 8	Allandale Rec Centre	Ukrainian Community - Holiday Party			
Dec 9	Allandale Rec Centre	Bayanihan Club of Simcoe County - Holiday Party			
Dec 17	Allandale Rec Centre	Kreative Dance Recital			
Dec 21	Southshore Centre	Community Round Dance hosted by the Barrie Native Friendship Centre			
Dec 23	Parkview CC	Barrie Parisian Association - Holiday Party			
Dec 23	Southshore Centre	Barrie Area Malayali Association - Holiday Party			
Dec 31	City Hall Dunlop Street	Downtown Countdown New Year's Eve Celebration hosted by the City of Barrie			